

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION	DOCKET NO. RPU-00-1 (TF-00-64)
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**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PREHEARING
BRIEFS AND EXTENDING TIME FOR JOINT STATEMENT**

(Issued September 14, 2000)

On September 13, 2000, AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc. (AT&T), filed a motion for extension of time to file prehearing briefs. Pursuant to the Board's July 14, 2000, order rescheduling the hearing in this matter, prehearing briefs are due on September 14, 2000. AT&T states that due to other commitments, it is unable to complete its prehearing brief for filing on September 14, 2000. AT&T requests one additional day, to September 15, 2000, for all parties to file prehearing briefs. AT&T states that all other parties to this docket have been contacted regarding this request but does not indicate whether the other parties support, oppose, or take no position on the request.

The Board will grant the motion for a one-day extension of time to file prehearing briefs. It is highly unlikely that any party will be prejudiced by this one-day extension; the hearing in this matter is scheduled at 10 a.m. on October 9, 2000, so all parties will still have ample time to review and consider these briefs in advance of the hearing.

The Board notes that the parties have not yet filed the joint statement of issues. The Board will, on its own motion, also extend the time for filing the joint statement to September 15, 2000, to coincide with the filing of prehearing briefs.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The motion for a one-day extension of time to file prehearing briefs, filed by AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc., on September 13, 2000, is granted.
2. The deadline for filing the joint statement of issues is extended to September 15, 2000.

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/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 14th day of September, 2000.